

Retaining Morse code testing is unpopular but not unjustified. A basic understanding of Morse opens more doors than it closes; to transmit a signal in its simplest form enables the user to communicate to ALL corners of world, sometimes where a simple Morse transmitter is all that can be heard. Amateur Radio operators must retain their ability to communicate with a diversity of modes... including Morse, the simplest of all transmissions. Keeping a basic 5 wpm test would ensure exposure to Morse and provide minimum hardship to anyone excited about the world of Amateur Radio.

Yes, Morse has early beginnings, but an SOS is never out of fashion...if you need to use it.

Sincerely,

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